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In response to the Office Action mailed October 2, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend Claims 5 and 17 as follows:

- 5. (Amended) The target wheel of Claim 1 wherein at least six of said teeth create a pulse combination indicating the position of said target wheel.
- 17. (Amended) The internal combustion engine of Claim 16 wherein at least six of said fifty-eight teeth form a combination indicating the position of said target wheel, whereby engine synchronization may be determined from said at least six teeth.